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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CHAMBA DELEGATION

RF: BEIRUT 10728 AND CAIRO 6969

1. DURING CALL BY INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR PADMADISASTRA, HE ALLUDED TO INDONESIAN CO-SPONSORSHIP OF UNGA RESOLUTION CALLING ON BOTH CAMBODIAN PARTIES TO DISCUSS SETTLEMENT OF THEIR DIFFERENCES. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE MENTIONED THAT LON NOL'S CHAMBA DELEGATION, HEADED BY KOSSIMLESS (PHONETIC), HAD VISITED EGYPT IN SEPTEMBER.

2. CIRCUMSTANCES WERE AS FOLLOWS: ON MORNING OF SEP 10, KOSSIMLESS HAD APPEARED AT INDONESIAN EMBASSY AND ASKED TO SEE THE AMBASSADOR. HE RELATED HAD ARRIVED PREVIOUS EVENING FROM LIBYA, WHERE HE HAD OBTAINED AN EGYPTIAN VIEW. ALTHOUGH HE

TOLD PADMADISASTRA THAT DURING KUALA LUMPUR ISLAMIC TALKS EGYPTIANS HAD INVITED HIM VISIT CAIRO, HE HAD FAILED TO SEND ANY ADVANCE NOTICE AND WAS NOT MET ON ARRIVAL. AFTER OVER-NIGHTING IN A FLEABAG HOTEL, HE WAS CALLING ON PADMADISASTRA FOR ASSISTANCE. HE HAD A LETTER FOR PRESIDENT SADAT WHICH HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO DELIVER.

3. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SIHANOUK'S AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO  
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SARIN CHHAK HAD JUST RETURNED, PADMADI ASTRA ADVISED KOSSIM-

LESS TO WORK ON A RELIGIOUS RATHER THAN ON POLITICAL LEVEL. PADMADISASTRA ARRANGED MEETING WITH TEWFIK EWEIDA, SYG OF HIGHER COUNCIL FOR AL-AZHAR AFFAIRS, WHO RECEIVED KOSSIMLESS AND PROFERRED HOSPITALITY. EWEIDA ARRANGED GET CHAMBA GROUP INTO NILE HOTEL AND PROVIDED CAR FOR DURATION OF GROUP'S STAY HERE.; THROUGH EWEIDA, TOO, CALLS WERE ARRANGED ON MINISTER OF WAKF AND DPPREMIER FOR RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS, DR. ABDEL AZIZ KAMEL, AND ON THE RECTOR OF AL-AZHAR UNIVERSITY. THRUST OF KOSSIMLESS PRESENTATION WAS A) CAMBODIAN MOSLEMS OPPRESSED UNDER SIHANOUK AND WILL BE EVEN MORE SO IF COMMUNISTS TAKE OVER, AND B) GOE USE ITS INFLUENCE WITH SIHANOUK TO URGE

POLITICAL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES. KOSSIMLESS

ALSO OBTAINED FIVE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR AL-AZHAR. EGYPTIANS REPORTEDLY LISTENED SYMPATHETICALLY, BUT MADE NO COMMITMENTS.

4. KOSSIMLESS ALSO WANTED TO SEE MARWAN AND CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTRY, BUT PADMADISASTRA ADVISED HIM NOT DO SO. INSTEAD, LETTER FROM LON NOL TO ADAT WAS GIVEN EWEIDA FOR DELIVERY.

5. ACCORDING TO PADMADISASTRA, SARIN CHHAK IS BOTH SIHANOUK'S FOREIGN MINISTER AND HIS AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO. HE CLAIMS EGYPTIAN MFA SOMETIMES COMPLAINS THAT IT NEVZU KNOWS WHETHER CHHAK IS CALLING AS AN AMBASSADOR OR AS A FOREIGN MINISTER AND THAT AS A RESULT, PROTOCOL PROBLEMS HAVE SOMETIME DEVELOPED.

6. COMMENT: CHAMBA DELEGATION DID NOT CONTACT THIS EMBASSY AND PRESS CARRIED NO REPORTS OF ITS VISIT.  
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